

# Woman's Page

## Dorothy Dix Says

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By DOROTHY DIX, The World's Highest Paid Woman Writer

A manifestation of the feminist movement that terrifies many good people almost to death is the entrance of women into the commercial arena. Yet in asking the right to make an honest living women only assert a natural human right.

Men have always had the privilege of following gainful pursuits and making as much money as their ability and industry were equal to acquiring. No body has ever expected a man to sit up and twiddle his thumbs and weep and lament because he yearned for independence or for luxury. If he desired these good things he was free to go out and hustle for them and get them.

But when women claimed this same and human right to go forth into the world and seek their fortunes, a howl went up that could be heard from Dan to Beersheba. It was held to be an iniquitous thing for a woman to go to a store or an office and honestly earn her daily bread, and outrageous for her to aspire to eat cake of her own making.

In the lopsided morality that has prevailed, it has actually been thought that it was far more decent for a woman to sell herself in marriage for a home than for her to support herself by her own labor. Also, that because she was a woman she had no right to rebel at the humiliation of being dependent on the grudging charity of people who did not want any applied edging of poor relations on their family circle.

Even to this day there are those who oppose women assuming the ordinary rights of a taxed being to make money.

They assert that woman's place is in the home, whether she's got any home or not, or anything to eat in it. They deny her the right to use the talents God gave her and condemn her to work in the home whether she has gift for domesticity or lacks it. Which is about as sensible as if you forced every man to be a blacksmith, no matter if he had intended him to be a lawyer or a doctor, or a preacher, or a merchant.

Then you remember the terrible toll there was when a few bold women first suggested that a woman had a right to her own property. Of course, everybody has always recognized that a man had a right to whatever money he may have inherited or made, and that no matter how generous he was nor how much he loved another person, he wants to cling to his own little deeds, to have his houses and stocks and bonds in his own name, and the privilege of managing his own. That's only natural and human.

There's something in the feel of your own pocketbook that gives you an inward glow of independence that is about the most soul-satisfying emotion on earth, and there is more moral support in the knowledge that you've got your own money in the bank than there is in the firmest moral principles. But women were supposed to be immune to this human characteristic. It was held that a wife enjoyed turning over every cent of her inheritance to her husband on her wedding day, and becoming thereafter dependent upon his bounty, instead of possessing her own money to do with as she pleased.

Of course this theory didn't have any leg to stand on. Women desire financial independence just as ardently as men do. It is just as necessary for their self-respect that they have it as it is for men, and yet it has taken years and years to get laws passed that give to a woman even some of the property that belongs to her.

The long drawn out woman's fight to be treated as human beings in government. Women form half the population in the world. Probably they own half of the property in the world. They certainly have just as much at stake in every country as men have. They are just as amenable to the laws of the land as men are. There are nearly as many college graduates among women as there are among men. There are more girls that go through the high school than there are boys. The percentage of intelligence among women is equal to that among men. There are ten men convicts to one woman.

Yet in every civilized land men have a voice in making the laws that govern them. Women have this privilege only in a few countries. The man who has not a dollar's worth of property can vote on all subjects of taxation. The woman who owns millions of dollars worth of taxable property has no voice in the matter. The most ignorant and illiterate man can vote. The most highly educated and intelligent woman cannot. The best and noblest

woman in the world is classed politically with the most degraded man because in politics a woman is not regarded as a human being. She's neither fish, flesh, fowl nor good red herring. She has no place on earth and her struggle for the ballot is merely her effort to put herself on the map.

A great deal is said about the unrest of women. The whole sex is declared to be in a ferment. It is asserted that girls are no longer satisfied to be just society butterflies; that wives are not content to be merely wives and mothers, and the highbrows who discuss this matter profess not to be able to understand this modern phenomenon of feminism.

The explanation is as plain as a, b, c. What we call the unrest of women is simply the effort they are making to achieve the right to be human beings first and women afterwards, instead of being compelled to be just women and nothing else.

Women want the right to develop their minds and bodies like rational human beings instead of being forced into some silly and conventional little pattern of femininity. They want the rights of a human being to follow the best of their talents. They want the human right to earn money, the right to be regarded as human beings in government, and, above all, they want to be treated by men as human beings, not as slaves or playthings, but as good comrades—human beings like the men themselves.

## NEW BOOKS AT THE CARNEGIE LIBRARY

The following list of new books will be ready for circulation at the Carnegie free library on Saturday:

**Drama.**  
Aldis—Plays for Small Stages.  
Archer—Play Making.  
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Matthews—On Acting.  
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Wilde—Confessional and Other American Plays.  
Wikowski—German Drama of the Nineteenth Century.

**Poetry.**  
Burroughs—Bird and Bough.  
Carmen—Elegies From Vagabondia.  
Frost—Mountain Interval.  
Longfellow—Hiawatha (illustrated by Remington).  
Lovejoy—Poetry of the Seasons.  
Macgill—Songs of the Dead End.  
Mitchell—The Night Court and Other Verse.  
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Mayne—Browning's Heroines.  
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Glasgow—Life and Gabriella.  
Hazard—The Ivory Child.  
Prouty—The Fifth Wheel.  
Walpole—The Dark Forest.

**NOT UP ON GOLF.**  
President Alan R. Hawley of the Aero club of America, was defending, at a dinner in New York, an American aeroplane that had been attacked.

"The men who attack this aeroplane," he said, "are ignorant of flying as the farmer was ignorant of golf."

"A farmer, crossing a golf field, got hit by a ball in the eye. He ran back and roared at the golfer:

"This'll cost ye jest \$5 cash in the hand now!"

"But I yelled 'Fore!' at the top of my lungs," said the golfer.

"Oh, did ye?" said the farmer, in a mollified tone. "Well, I didn't hear ye. I'll take four."—Washington Star.

**MARTHA SOCIETY.**  
Monday afternoon, March 26, Mrs. D. C. Eccles will entertain the ladies of the Martha society at her home on Twenty-fifth street.

## HEALTH TALKS

BY WILLIAM BRADY, M.D.

Kitchen Arithmetic

Every housewife knows that an ounce of bread and butter is more nourishing than a pound of water-melon or a quart of cabbage, but there are many housewives who have yet to learn that a pound of macaroni baked with cheese is more nourishing than a pound of beef.

As a matter of economy and health every one having the purchasing of food for a household in charge should study tables of food values given in Atwater and Bryant's "The Chemical Composition of American Food Materials," issued as Bulletin 28, by the United States Department of Agriculture, and obtainable by sending ten cents in coin to Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D. C.

Among the very nourishing, digestible and economical foods which are not as freely used as they would be if people understood the nutritive value of food materials, are peanuts, which are just twice as nourishing, pound for pound, as bread; corn meal; macaroni baked with cheese; dried peas and beans; oatmeal; oleomargarine; codfish; unpurified rice; beef scraps; flank, rump and round steak, and soup bones.

Among the more expensive, less nourishing articles are mutton chops, roast veal, canned soups, ready-to-serve breakfast cereals and butter. Oleomargarine is a wholesome, economical food which, when colored by the housewife, makes an ideal substitute for butter on the table.

It is perhaps too much to expect the average cook, untrained in domestic science, to take into consideration the caloric or food value of the various articles she puts on the bill of fare. With the government's tables of food values on the shelf with her cookbook, however, she may exercise much good judgment in buying food and save a considerable outlay month by month.

It is wasteful, for instance, to boil potatoes, and get 97 calories from 100 grams, when the same potatoes baked will give 114 calories, to say nothing of the hygienic and nutritive value of the potato skins. Anemic, constipated persons need the skins.

Dr. Brady will give all those letters "sent to him" in the "Health Talks" column. Only inquiries of general interest are answered in this column; but all inquiries will be answered by mail if a stamped self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Requests for diagnosis or treatment of individual cases cannot be considered. Address Dr. William Brady, care of the newspaper.

## HUNGARY IS NOT LOYAL TO TEUTON

Both Austria and Hungary May Break From the German Oppressor.

(By CARL W. ACKERMAN.)  
It is Austria-Hungary, not Germany, that is today ripe for a revolution. The liberty-loving Hungarians, the Russian loyalists and the oppressed Bohemians, who are in the majority in the dual monarchy, will be the first to be inspired by the "new Russia." These people hate the Germans. For nearly a century they have tormented the Hapsburg dynasty and kept Austria-Hungary in a whirlpool of uncertainty. At every great crisis in the war the country has been on the verge of a collapse.

It is not so in Germany. Germany as a nation is young, and its inhabitants are mostly Germans. While there is dissatisfaction, discontent and distress, there is a unity of purpose and a national ideal. The German people believe the world is leagued against the German race. They believe all Germans must "stick together." They believe that the only way to be able to get better German peace terms than a divided nation under a reformed government, and as long as they believe this political changes in Germany are likely to be evolutionary, not revolutionary.

Germany will be affected by a reformed Russia chiefly through her neighbors and biggest ally.

The German Socialists will demand liberalization and will probably get it, because the Kaiser and Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg know that Germany's greatest task now is to hold Austria-Hungary together. A revolution there would shake the political foundations of Germany, break the solidarity of central Europe and make it impossible for "almighty Germany" to continue the war. Therefore, the chancellor may be expected to promise the German Socialists extensive reforms in return for their support.

The German people lack a militant leader. No man with influence and the confidence of the public is willing to take a chance in starting a revolution. Philip Scheidemann, the powerful Socialist member of the reichstag, could lead a revolt against the Hohenzollerns, but he will do so only when he is convinced he can succeed. Unlike Russia, Germany has no "duma party" and no political organization which is prepared to lead. The Kaiser and the

chancellor know this. They know, too, that their peace note of last December and the entente reply to President Wilson solidified Germany's political organization and convinced the people that the government was waging a "defensive war." A revolution in Germany at this time is not probable unless it begins in Austria-Hungary. If the people overthrow the Hohenzollern dynasty they would do so with one purpose—to make peace. While the people long for peace, while they talk about nothing else, still they are not ready to accept peace through defeat.

**Austrian Empire Feuds.**  
When German statesmen began to realize that they could not conquer Europe and establish an iron hand upon world business, they turned their attention to the Balkans and Turkey. They saw the vision of a great nation called Central Europe, made up of Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria, part of Serbia, Greece and Turkey, with Berlin as the capital. Their idea was to spread German influence and German kultur throughout these countries by making the people "fear Germans."

During the two years within the central powers I made four journeys to Austria-Hungary, and I spent three weeks with the German army as it invaded Rumania. I talked to Germans I heard from Hungarians, Slavs and Rumanians what they thought and feared. For these people the idea of a great Germany was horrifying, but real. They saw visions of German oppression and domination, but they were powerless. They saw no way into the war and saw no means of escape. They hated and suspected the czar. For them the "czar danger" was greater than the "Prussian invasion." The Hungarians, especially, who are the greatest, the most charming and freedom loving people of the central powers, believed they were obliged to defeat the czar first and then go for the Germans. But now that the czar is defeated by his own people, Hungary has little fear of Russia. The same is true of the Slavs, the Bohemians and the Galicians. Thus, the Russian revolution gives these people a greater opportunity to oppose Germany.

**Bohemian Army Deserts.**  
Ever since the death of Emperor Franz Joseph the dual monarchy has been split. The young emperor, Karl, and his army and navy completely under the orders of the German general staff, is pulled from the pillar of discontent within his own country to the post of Germany. The Hungarians know Kaiser Wilhelm plans to put his favorite son, Eitel Friedrich on the Hungarian throne if he can. The Hungarians know German business and industrial leaders are working night and day to fasten their hold upon Hungary. Hungarians know Germany is starving and wants Hungarian food. The Bohemians have revolted time and time again during the war. When General Brusiloff began his offensive in July, 1916, a whole Bohemian army deserted, and Archduke Frederick was relieved of his command upon orders of the German emperor. Part of another Bohemian army corps which attempted to desert was caught and, upon orders of Kaiser Wilhelm, one out of every five officers and men were executed. The rest were imprisoned. These are a few instances which show the critical situation which has existed in Austria-Hungary since the beginning of the war.

**EFFECT OF DISSIPATION.**  
An aged mother was scolding her oldest son for some of his bad habits. "Ain't you 'shamed of yourself," she exclaimed, "to be chawin' tobacco and smokin' that old pipe. You jes' ruinin' of your health."

"But listen, ma," replied her son. "I am 70 years old, ain't I?"

"Yes, you is," admitted the mother. "But maybe if you didn't chaw an' smoke you'd be 90 now."—Youngstown (Ohio) Telegram.

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## BURTS'

## NEW ENGLAND IS NOW PREPARING

BOSTON, March 22.—New England's mobilization for preparedness proceeds rapidly today. New Hampshire appropriated \$500,000 for defense, and Maine and Vermont, through their governors, appointed committees on public safety. The legislature of New Hampshire and the Vermont house of representatives endorsed universal military training. Governor Graham of Vermont announced that he would ask the legislature to vote a credit for defense.

Throughout the New England coast line the greatest activity was shown. So prompt has been the response to the calls for recruits that the heads of official and civilian committees had their hands full in examining, enrolling and assigning those who could be of service. Men, women, boy scouts and girls made up the volunteers.

In Boston preparedness campaigns were particularly busy. While those in authority are not betraying secrets that might be of value to an enemy, they are openly courting such harmless publicity as may serve to

arouse further public sentiment for preparedness.

Several interesting developments are announced. One armed boat patrol manned from the crews of the ships at the navy yard is to be established to patrol Boston harbor and the waterfront of the navy yard from sunset to sunrise. Guards at the navy yard piers were given rifles in addition to their pistols.

Another call for aviators was made and five new units of coast defense reserve men from Tufts college were added to the force already being trained. A large group of telephone girls offered their services without pay for evenings, Saturday afternoons, Sundays and holidays. A unit of thirty experienced wireless operators, all women and girls, already have been enrolled in the coast defense reserve corps.

The latest Harvard unit to enroll in the naval coast defense reserve is headed by John Parkinson, Jr., a former football star and one of the quarter deck men of the cup trial boat Resolute. Bluejackets from the battleships Georgia, Virginia and Nebraska brought 250 applicants into the line as a result of their day's work at recruiting.

Enrolling officers are anxious to obtain more men holding masters', engineers' or pilots' certificates, and on Monday night Captain William D. Rush, commandant of the First naval district, will address a meeting of the

Master Pilots' association, at which time it is expected fresh impetus will be given to the campaign.

Tonight a big preparedness meeting was held at the Boston City club.

**COULDN'T FOOL HIM**

A pompous orator of the old school—you know the kind—of those boys who vocally wave the flag of freedom until some of the stars are shaken loose—got up to speak in a little town back in Ohio. Part of his discourse was devoted to praise of Daniel Webster, that other great orator.

The rural Bill Bryan frequently skidded from the roadway of fact. On one occasion, he said: "Daniel Webster's wonderful command of the English language, his unflinching grasp of words, came from his tremendous knowledge of the dictionary, of which he was the author."

A well-meaning friend whispered to the speaker: "Say, Bill, Daniel Webster didn't write the dictionary; it was Noah."

Bill surveyed the other with scorn, and announced authoritatively and loudly: "Noah nothing! Noah built the ark!"

**HINT FOR HUSBANDS.**

"They will always get along well together." "You think so?" "I'm sure of it. Whenever she does anything wrong he asks for forgiveness."—Baltimore Sun.

## A cake without butter!

(Report No. 1) By a man who saw it done

They told me that wholesome Cottolene made delicious cakes. To make sure, I had Katie make this cake. I looked on.

At the start, Katie was very doubtful. She said, "You've got to use butter for cake." I said, "No, you haven't. Just one-third less of Cottolene than you would of butter. You wait and see." I wanted to show Katie and I was hoping for an A-number-one cake.

Katie went ahead doing a lot of things that I did not understand. But finally the batter was ready. I licked the spoon and the batter flavor gave promise of a fine cake flavor.

It kept its promise. When the layers were done Katie said, "My! See how light it is."

We waited 15 minutes for the cake to cool before testing its flavor.

When we did, Katie's doubts were removed.

Her cocoanut cake was certainly a delicious cake and not a speck of butter had been used.

Katie used this recipe:

Two-thirds cup Cottolene  
2 cups sugar  
5 eggs  
3 cups flour  
5 level teaspoons baking powder  
Quarter teaspoon salt  
1 cup milk  
Half teaspoon each lemon and vanilla. Boiled frosting sprinkled with cocoanut.

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